

## SHE HUNG HERSELF

Mrs. Lon Hodging Attempts to End Her Life.

### CHOSE TWO WAYS TO DEATH

Symptoms of Poison Discovers by Physician.

Mrs. Lon Hodging made an attempt to end her sorrow, of which her life had seemed overburdened, by hanging herself yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. She occupied a cell in the county jail, waiting to be tried for her sanity, information of insanity having been filed by her son Gall on last Friday. Mrs. Hodging had been unusually composed and cheerful all morning, though she had not been visited by but few persons, with the exception of her son Gall, who called just a few hours before she attempted to destroy herself. Mrs. Hodging had also taken poison, but how she got the drug no one seems to know. There were symptoms of poisoning, however, and Dr. Jordan so informed persons who asked about the peculiar twitching of her muscles, the froth that issued from her mouth and the set jaw, which no one could open.

Mrs. Hodging made every possible preparation to die. She hung a laprobe up at the door of her cell and then hurriedly undressed and robed herself in a clean white night gown. Taking her undergarments she tied one end of it to the upper and outside lattice work of the window and the other around her neck. She laid her false teeth on the shelf and jumped off. Her feet barely touched upon the floor, but she hung for several minutes and not even the person in the adjoining cell could hear anything going wrong.

Two ladies were visiting the jail, and when they came to Mrs. Hodging's cell, they could see just the top of her head over the laprobe which she had hung up at the door. They called Turkey Dood's attention to the peculiar pose of the head and the pale skin of her forehead, and Mr. Dodd peered over the laprobe and at once realized the meaning of the pose. Attorney C. C. Stanley had also noticed Mrs. Hodging from the opposite side of the corridor. Mr. Dodd rushed down for his keys and summoned help and opened the door as quickly as possible and cut the garment as it let the victim down. County Physician Jordan and Dr. Shultz were notified. Mrs. Hodging was unconscious. She was barely breathing and her eyes and jaws were set. Her neck was blue and the skin was slightly broken where the knot came in contact with it.

Mrs. Hodging lingered between life and death nearly all afternoon in the little cell, but, as hope for her recovery grew stronger, the county physician ordered her removed to the city hospital, where she now lies, and is said to be improving. Many women visited the jail yesterday to see Mrs. Hodging, and if what some of them say is true, Mrs. Hodging has experienced a life more tragically sorrowful than ever was told in story, and they expressed no surprise at her attempt to end it all.

**BRAVE MEN FALL.**  
Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaho, Ind. He says: "Electric letters are just the thing for a man when he is run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 25 cents a bottle at G. Gehring's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

### IT IS ALL THE SAME

**Trans-Mississippi Congress on Irrigation.**  
The secretary of the National Irrigation association, Mr. Guy B. Mitchell, who was in Wichita yesterday on his way to Washington, D. C., said:  
"The statements concerning the outcome of the fight in the Trans-Mississippi Congress on the question of the cession of public lands to the states have been very conflicting, and many of them convey an entirely erroneous impression. The fight was thrown squarely between the members of the National Irrigation association as opposed to state cession, and those favoring this policy. Some of the dispatches have said that the final action

## The Cruel Knife!

It is absolutely useless to expect a surgical operation to cure cancer, or any other blood disease. The cruelty of such treatment is illustrated in the alarming number of deaths which result from it. The disease is in the blood, and hence can not be cut out. Nine times out of ten the surgeon's knife only hastens death.

My son had a most malignant cancer, for which the doctors said an operation was the only hope. The operation was a success, as it was necessary to cut away the cancerous growth from the jawbone and the throat. Before a great while the cancer grew rapidly, and he gave him no more hope. I gave him S. S. S. (Swiss Serum) and within a few days the cancer disappeared without a trace. He is now a healthy boy, and I am a happy mother.

Absolutely the only hope for Cancer is Swift's Specific.

## S. S. S. For The Blood

as it is the only remedy which goes to the very bottom of the blood and forces out every trace of the disease. S. S. S. is guaranteed purely vegetable and contains no potent, mercury or other minerals.

Books on Cancer will be mailed free to any address by the Swift Specific Co., Atlanta, Ga.

## Mrs. Barnard Thanks Mrs. Pinkham For Health.

(LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 18,999)

"DEAR FRIEND—I feel it my duty to express my gratitude and thanks to you for what your medicine has done for me. I was very miserable and losing flesh very fast, had bladder trouble, fluttering pains about the heart and would get so dizzy and suffered with painful menstruation. I was reading in a paper about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, so I wrote to you and after taking two bottles I felt like a new person. Your Vegetable Compound has entirely cured me and I cannot praise it enough."—MRS. J. O. BARNARD, MILLTOWN, WASHINGTON CO., ME.

### An Iowa Convincing Statement.

"I tried three doctors, and the last one said nothing but an operation would help me. My trouble was profuse flowing; sometimes I would think I would flow to death. I was so weak that the least work would tire me. Reading of so many being cured by your medicine, I made up my mind to write to you for advice, and I am so glad that I did. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills and followed your directions, and am now well and strong. I shall recommend your medicine to all, for it saved my life."—Miss A. P., Box 21 Abbott, Iowa.

of the Trans-Mississippi Congress on this point was in the nature of a compromise, that the fight indicated the growing divergence in interest between the two congresses and that the result is conceded by many irrigators as a virtual victory for Governor Murphy of Arizona, who represented the state cession movement.

"The truth is, the action of the Trans-Mississippi Congress is in exact harmony with that taken by the Irrigation Congress both last year and the year previous. In fact, the Trans-Mississippi Congress adopted, without the change of a word or a comma, the clause which the Irrigation Congress adopted last year concerning state cession. This clause is as follows:

"Resolved, That the Trans-Mississippi Congress endorse the following resolutions which embody the resolutions and policy advocated by the National Irrigation Congress as to a national and state irrigation policy for the reclamation and settlement of arid America. We favor the cession of the public lands to the respective states and territories only upon conditions so strict that they will insure the settlement of such lands by actual settlers in small tracts and absolutely prevent their monopoly in large bodies by private ownership."

"It will be seen that while state cession is endorsed, it is endorsed so provisionally as to absolutely prohibit monopolizing land in large areas. Governor Murphy desired absolute cession to the states and territories, while the Trans-Mississippi Congress should adopt in toto the resolutions of the National Irrigation Congress, as the certified copy of the resolutions which I have in my pocket will show.

"The advocates of irrigation can now go to the congress of the United States with the unanimous resolutions of the National Irrigation congress, representing sixteen states and the likewise unanimous resolutions of the Trans-Mississippi congress, endorsing this same resolution and representing twenty-four states, in favor of the policy of federal storage reservoirs."

### DR. DREVES GIVES A DINNER

Royal Feast in the Country at Bentley.

Dr. Ernest Drevs, one of Sedgewick county's most prominent German Americans and one of the leading physicians in the party of the county celebrated his 60th birthday anniversary Sunday in a hospitable manner, at his delightful country home, near Bentley. The doctor has one of the most beautiful places in our county, the large lawn of which would be a pattern to many city residences; has two large, elaborate fountains of running water, which were festooned with myriads of colored lights, and from the handsome pine trees on either side of the lawn and stretched over the lawn upon wires were garlanded Japanese lanterns, leaving the display of fireworks that were provided for the evening's entertainment. With the veritable banquet, and a prince of hosts, the fortunate guests were treated to a scene and a time rarely enjoyed in our western homes. The dinner, under the direction of J. W. France, was the ideal of the caterer's art. The menu was as follows:

Chicken Broth a la Reine with Potatoes a la Duchesse  
Entrées  
Prime Rib of Beef with Essence  
Dressed Spring Chicken, Water Cress  
Vegetables  
New Potatoes Asparagus on Toast  
French Peas Pickled Beets  
Cauliflower and Cream  
Salads  
Shrimp Salad Salad de Homers  
Ice  
Strawberry Ice  
Fruits  
Bananas Assorted Cakes  
Claret Bordeaux  
Champagne Kufperberg Gold  
Ice Cream Black Coffee  
Bisque

The guests were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Kanaval of Sedgewick, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Minnert of Clinton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baehr and family, Mr. E. B. Schuch of St. Louis, Mrs. Theres Schuch, Mr. O. G. Eickstein and daughter Edna, Mr. Franz Walcker, Misses Carl, Louis and Marie Baehr, Master Carl Baehr.

London, June 18.—The entrance of McDevitt, the Chicago carman, for the Diamond scull at the Henley regatta, this year was received too late to be accepted.

## TACKETT HEARD FROM

His Dead Body Said to Have Been Found

### BURIED IN A HAY STACK

Mr. Benton Relates a Startling Story, If True.

A report was brought to the city yesterday afternoon by Mr. Benton, engineer at the court house, of the finding of the dead body of Tackett, the jail breaker, in a hay stack five miles west of this city. Nothing more definite could be learned last night, except the meagre particulars Mr. Benton had told persons about the court house and jail, and it is thought the officers will go out today to look into the matter and see if such a lucky thing could be possible. It is known that when Tackett performed one of the most daring and ingenious jailbreaks in this city last winter ever heard of in the annals of crime, that it was very bold and for several weeks thereafter the officers almost looked for some of the escaped convicts to freeze to death in their effort to get out of the country as quickly as possible. One of them named Alley, who was afterwards caught, did freeze so badly that he was compelled to stop at a farm house in Butler county, which necessity was the means of his capture. Mr. Benton is reported to have said yesterday that he was sure this was the body of Tackett. A person who knew all about Tackett that night and was with him part of the time, under the promise not to reveal his name, told some farmers out west that he had with Tackett as long as possible, when he had to leave him. He told certain persons where the body could be found, if Tackett had frozen to death. The parties took the man's word and found the body in a straw stack, where it had been frozen and was partly covered with straw.

If the report has any foundation, and the body proves to be that of Tackett, it will be the means of ending a ceaseless search which Sheriff Simmons has been carrying on ever since the night of the jailbreak. So badly was Tackett wanted that the reward was doubled for him, and sheriffs, constables, policemen and detectives all over the country have been on the lookout for him.

**WORKING NIGHT AND DAY.**  
The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Every pill is a sugar-coated globe of health, that changes weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, brain-ling into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the health. Only 25c per box. Sold by G. Gehring.

### DEATH OF MISS BLAKE

Funeral Will Be Held at 10 O'clock This Morning.

Miss Myrtle Blake, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Blake, 2809 East Central avenue, died yesterday at 1 p. m. The funeral will be held at the family residence today at 10 a. m., conducted by C. H. Wareham, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Miss Blake was 17 years of age, and was the oldest of a family of six children. Mr. Blake came to this city about six years ago. His former home and birthplace was West Virginia. The family will have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

### WILL BE HELD TODAY

Funeral Services of Miss Nellie Willday at 2:30 p. m.

Miss Nellie Willday, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Willday, of 240 North Water street, died yesterday noon of consumption, after a lingering illness. The funeral services will be held today at 2:30 o'clock, at the home, and will be conducted by Rev. Stutz of the First M. E. church. Friends of the family are invited to attend. Interment will be in Maple Grove cemetery.

### TRUTHS TERSELY TOLD.

Foley's Kidney Cure is a safe, sure remedy for all Kidney and Bladder Diseases. Guaranteed 50c. Hocking Drug Co., G. Gehring and Wells Miller, druggists.

### COMING LOCAL EVENTS.

Regular meeting of Ivy Leaf Chapter No. 75, O. E. S., Tuesday evening, June 20.

The board of directors of the Wichita Society will hold their regular meeting at 2:30 p. m. today.

Wichita Council, No. 15, F. A. A., will have a social tonight. It is especially desired that all of its members attend.

Sunday, after having spent a very pleasant season as head trimmer with one of the leading millinery stores at Lawrence, Kan.

All of the ladies of St. John's church are requested to meet in the basement of the church this morning at 9 o'clock. Bring your carpet needles and thimbles.

Friend Council, No. 15, Modern Traction, will hold their regular meeting this evening, corner Topeka and Douglas. A full attendance is desired. Come early.

S. K. of A. O. U. W. will meet June 22, 8 p. m., in A. O. U. W. hall, First and Main. Members and candidates will please take notice and be there prompt. F. A. Gackebach.

## Convalescing

is more or less a very slow process, according to the severity of the sickness. Vitality, when at a low ebb, works at a great disadvantage, and more time is required to regain the lost strength and power.

**Pabst Malt Extract**  
The Best Tonic

produces marvelous results in such cases. The richness of the malt gives life to the blood and the hop principle gives tone to the stomach—creating both a desire for food and the ability to digest it.

Wichita W. C. T. U. will hold a parlor meeting at their headquarters, 225 1-2 North Main street, on Tuesday afternoon at 3 p. m. Let us have a full attendance. Visitors are expected from country unions.

The Woman's Unitarian society will meet with Mrs. Dr. Matthews, No. 125 North Main street, Wednesday, June 21, at 8:30 p. m. It is hoped that every member will strive to be present at this meeting with her friend, Mrs. Burrell, secretary.

The piano recital to be given by pupils of Mrs. S. T. Hendrickson will be public, not private, as stated by mistake in Sunday's Eagle. The recital will be on Wednesday evening at music club rooms in the city building, commencing at 8 o'clock. Everybody invited.

### CITY IN BRIEF.

Miss Mary Garver is visiting in Conway Springs.

Miss Mabel Snyder is visiting her cousin Miss Gail Sutton.

Fifteen from Wichita will go on the Santa Fe excursion to Los Angeles.

Miss Louise Waggoner will go to Conway Springs today for a week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Hewlett will go east in a few days for a month's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard W. Moffat returned from their wedding trip on Sunday.

H. J. Hill of Bentley says the recent floods cost Wichita about 2,000 acres of corn.

Arthur Pauline, of the Western Union, has bought the property at 419 South Topeka.

Judge Hook yesterday telegraphed Mr. Sherman that he would open court here next Thursday.

Wichita class of students working upon French to go to Paris has increased from eleven to sixteen.

Arthur Davidson will move the Royal Cafe back into the room formerly occupied by the Elita.

D. J. Bliss, for a long time a resident of this city, died yesterday at the Leavenworth Soldiers' Home.

Imported peaches are on the market now and there won't be any other kind much in evidence this year.

Miss Mary Lillian of Anthony, is the guest of the Misses Stella and Pansy Thomas, 326 Riverview avenue.

John Adams returned yesterday from St. Louis, Mo., where he has been on legal business for the past week.

John Davidson succeeded J. H. Sims as cashier of the Wells-Fargo Express company. Mr. Sims is agent at Oklahoma City.

The next wedding of a Wichita prominent young man is to come off about July 17, and the young lady lives at Douglas, Kan.

The towns of Cheney and Norwich are vying with each other as to which is to have the bigger Fourth of July celebration.

Miss Percy Bristow and Miss Josephine Wallace left yesterday for a visit in Belle Plaine.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ray and family left yesterday for Harper, where they expect to remain during harvest and attend to a 10-acre wheat field.

Miss Ella Grimes and her sister, Miss Minnie Bliss, left last night for Leavenworth to attend the funeral of their father, D. J. Grimes.

Being solicitor for the court of visitation has very much improved Judge Myatt's health. At least his health has improved since he was appointed.

The most prominent candidate for county commissioner on the fusion ticket is Mr. Belden of Valley Center. But Mr. Sealock will fight for honors.

After the jury in the district court was discharged yesterday they bought a fine umbrella and sent it down to Judge Dale's house as a token of their esteem.

Mrs. J. H. Williams and son, Forrest, of 92 North Market street, are spending the week with Mrs. Williams, parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. Taylor of Cheney.

The wheat fields west from Wichita look decidedly thin, and Deacon Wilson says there are few fields that will make as much as fifteen bushels to the acre.

At Kerman's grocery on East Douglas last night an explosion of gasoline occurred while they were filling a clear lighter. One of the clerks had his hand badly burned.

Word from the Wichita Elks at Springfield, Mo., enroute to St. Louis is to the effect that George Berman and J. H. Burns got off the train to look around at the Ozark Hills and were left.

The Home Dramatic company, Wichita's colored minstrels, went to Newton yesterday, where they gave a performance last night. It is understood they will travel extensively this summer.

Last Monday night two horses were stolen from the wagonman, near the Midland depot. He recovered them Friday and last night they were stolen again.

The thieves took them right out of Mr. Appleman's hands, took them by force. Sheriff Simmons got on the track of the men and captured the horses about twelve miles west of the city.

The case of Wigglesworth against Clark was settled by agreement yesterday without going to trial. The plaintiff was suing the defendant for about \$1,400 which he alleged was due from a partnership business. The defendant offered to pay \$500 and the costs of the suit, and it was settled that way. Judge Dale then discharged the jury for the May term.

### ANY OLD SORE.

Cut, Bruise or Sprain quickly healed with Bannan Salve, the greatest healing remedy in the world. Hocking Drug company, G. Gehring, and Wells Miller, druggists.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

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### WARRANTY DEEDS.

Levin W. Camp to Ellen E. Camp, 20 Elita ave. Hathfield's add. \$500

Mrs. L. B. Chase to N. O. Wilkins, lots 15, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 87